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COLLIN KLEIN SUFFERS UNDISCLOSED INJURY IN 44-30 VICTORY OVER OKLAHOMA STATE

BITTERSWEET VICTORY







Tommy Theis | Collegian

Collin Klein, senior quarterback, rushes toward the sideline looking for an open receiver during the game against Oklahoma State on Saturday evening in Bill Snyder Family Stadium. Klein was pulled out of the game during the third quarter due to an injury.
 Chris Harper, senior wide receiver, pushes away Oklahoma State's junior safety Daytawion Lowe to gain some extra yards.
 Allen Chapman, senior defensive back, reaches though the hands of Cowboys' receiver C.J. Curry to pull down his third interception of the game. Chapman's interceptions helped the Cats defeat Oklahoma State, 44-30.
 A student crowd-surfs up the aisles in the student section of Bill Snyder Family Stadium shortly after the Wildcats scored against the Cowboys.

Adam Suderman

In an effort to maintain its No. 2 BCS ranking, K-State was able to force five Oklahoma State turnovers and solidify its placement in the national spotlight with a 44-30 victory on Saturday night at Bill Snyder Family Sta-

Another Heisman-like perfor-

mance from quarterback Collin Klein highlighted the evening with the senior completing 16 passes out of 22 attempts for 245 vards. The senior also added 72 yards on the ground on 17 carries with a touchdown, giving him his 50th rushing touchdown of his

After giving the Wildcats a 38-20 lead at the 9:47 mark of the third quarter, Klein saw his night come to an end after an injury required him to find his place on the sideline. Head coach Bill Snyder would not comment on the nature or severity of the injury, which remained undisclosed as of Saturday night after the game.

The situation forced quarterback Daniel Sams to step in and the freshman provided a little more of a glimpse as to what is in

Whether Klein's departure is what allowed Oklahoma State to close the gap is debatable, but overall Snyder said he was pleased with what his freshman backup quarterback displayed in a time of need.

"I thought Daniel did reasonably well," Snyder said. "He did

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Warren Buffett shares life experiences with K-Staters in Omaha

Mike Stanton

assistant news editor

A group of students from K-State's Student Financial Association traveled to Omaha, Neb., on Friday to learn from one of the most prominent figures in the financial world. Along with students from the business schools at universities like Dartmouth and Columbia, 18 SFA members attended a question-andanswer session with Warren Buffett, chairman and CEO of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., in the Kiewit Plaza building in downtown Omaha.

Buffett, 82, amassed an enormous fortune buying and selling stocks and businesses, and is one of the wealthiest people in the world. Despite his age, Buffett insists he "tapdances to work" every day, and has no plans to retire in the near

"I kept Mrs. B working until she was 103," said Buffett, referring to Rose Blumkin, founder of Nebraska Furniture Mart, a retail furniture store owned by Berkshire Hathaway, which the SFA group toured before the session with Buffett. "Then, she retired, and died the next year. I keep that as a lesson — early retirement

is no good." Buffett walked into the Cloud Room on the 16th floor of Kiewit Plaza with a spring in his step uncharacteristic of a man his age and immediately cracked open a can of cherry Coca-Cola, a company in which he owns a 9 percent share. Before taking questions from the seven universities in attendance, Buffett recognized the K-State delegation.

"Incidentally, the tie I have on is a K-State tie," Buffett said, displaying the purple-striped tie sent to him for his birthday last year by SFA, and adding a congratulatory remark on the Wildcats' undefeated football season.

Buffett said he became interested in stocks around the age of 7, and purchased one by 11. According to Buffett, over the decades in which he has played the stock market game better than anyone else, the rules have stayed fairly

"The basic philosophy is exactly the same as it was 60-plus years ago," Buffett said. "Now, you just get a chance to apply it in different ways."

Many of the questions Buffett fielded were related to the recent financial recession. According to Buffett, the situation could have been far worse than it

"I was on CNBC and I called it a financial Pearl Harbor," Buffett said. "The right leaders saved us. Fortunately, we had the kind of people who not only did brave and extreme things, but did them very

Buffett, widely known as the Oracle of Omaha, did note that he expects the economy to start picking up in the years

"Regardless of which [presidential] candidate gets elected, I think the economy will be doing better," Buffett said. "I think we'll see less silliness in Washing-

Another common theme in the questions was career success. Buffett's advice was to simply find your passion.

"Look for the job you would want to have if you were already rich," Buffett said. "If you're doing what you love, you leave others behind."

Buffett did offer a bit of practical wisdom to the students: develop communication skills, both written and 'If you can't communicate to people,

it's like winking at a girl in the dark nothing happens," Buffett said. According to Scott Hendrix, instruc-

tor of finance at K-State who organized the trip, SFA has been going to Omaha for Buffett's question-and-answer session annually for the past five years.

"Over 200 schools apply each year, but only about 40 attend," said Hendrix, who added that Buffett hosts several sessions each year. "We have a good relationship with him, one that we work hard to maintain, and he likes K-State a lot."

According to Hendrix, K-State is one of just a few schools that is invited back each year automatically, rather than having to re-apply. Hendrix attributes this to SFA's efforts to stay on good terms

"We have a party in Manhattan every year to celebrate his birthday, and we get a package and a card together to send to him," Hendrix said, noting that the purple tie Buffett sported at the event was included in this year's gift. "It was great to see him wearing the tie, I was thrilled he remembered to."

Mike Records, sophomore in business administration and member of SFA, said he has been interested with Buffett's work since his sophomore year of high school when his older brother, a certified public accountant in Wichita, introduced him to it.

"He is kind of the reason I'm interested in finance," said Records, who attends the Berkshire Hathaway annual shareholders' meeting with his family regularly to hear Buffett speak. "When he went out and made all that money, he didn't just go blow it all, he's really down to earth. He does it because he loves to, not because of money."

Records said he felt "more of a personal vibe" at the question-and-answer session than he normally does at the shareholders' meetings, which was attended by over 35,000 people in 2011.

"The chance to be in a smaller room and make eye contact with him was really a once-in-a-lifetime experience," Records said. "It was invaluable. There's nothing you can really do to replace that experience, especially given his age, because he won't be around forever."

Cargill to give \$1.2 million over 4 years

Zach Foley staff writer

Cargill continued their support of Project Impact and K-State by donating \$1.2 million over the next four years; this is in addition to the \$5 million the company has already given to Project Impact. K-State hosted representatives from Cargill, the corporate partner of Project Impact, Friday in the Town Hall room of the Leadership Studies Building.

Project Impact, according to the K-State website, is for the recruitment, retention, graduation and placement of multicultural students who are historically under-represented in certain areas such as agriculture, business and engineering at K-State.

"Cargill really understands

how to interact with K-State," said President Kirk Schulz. "We appreciate their long-standing commitment to the university.

Schulz thanked Cargill for their commitment to creating a diverse workforce before handing the microphone off to Raymond Hall, the global director of inclusion and diversity for Cargill.

Hall expressed why the project is important to the company.

"Project Impact is a program for multicultural students to steer them towards greater self-efficacy and outstanding accomplishments in the halls of academe," He said even though they

cannot hire everyone who goes through the program, they are committed to helping students be the best they can be for the workplace.

Hall went on to say that diversity, respect and inclusion are

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K-State, **Manhattan** area news briefs

Karen Sarita Ingram edge editor

Secretary of Agriculture to

lecture on impact of drought Dale Rodman, Kansas Secretary of Agriculture, will be giving a presentation about the impact of the recent drought on Kansas agriculture, food production and food costs. The lecture will take place in the K-State Student Union Main Ballroom at 7 p.m. tonight. A question-and-answer session will follow the lecture, which is free and open to the public.

Lecture to educate about Federal Reserve Bank

Esther George, president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, will be holding a lecture to educate students about the nation's monetary system in Forum Hall on Tuesday at 11 a.m. George's lecture is part of the College of Business Administration's Distinguished Lecture Series and is free and open to the public.

Election watch party

The Union Program Council will be holding an election watch party on Tuesday from 7-11 p.m. in Forum Hall and the Union Courtyard. The event is free and open to the public.

Walk-in Wednesday

Students seeking jobs and career advice are encouraged to participate in Walk-in Wednesday at Holtz Hall. Every Wednesday from 12 to 4 p.m., Career and Employment Services is available to review resumes and answer questions. No appointment is necessary and the service is free to all students. For more information on Walk-in Wednesday and other programs available to help students, contact Career and Employment Services at 100 Holtz . Hall or call 785-532-6506.

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Thursday, Nov. 1

Eric James Lubrano Jr., of the 1900 block of Strong Avenue, was booked for failure to appear and probation violation. Bond was set at

Alexander Perry, of Kansas City, Kan., was booked for two counts of failure to appear. Bond was set

Austin Casey Shepherd, of Fort Riley, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$750.

Derek Edward Blea, of the 1000 block of Colorado Street, was booked for two counts of failure to appear and probation violation. Bond was set at \$2,500.

Timothy Maurice

Colston Sr., of the 700 block of Bluemont Avenue, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$750.

Michael Quinn Brooks, of the 3400 block of Chimney Rock Road, was booked for violation of protection orders and harassment by telecommunication device. Bond was set at \$12,000.

Friday, Nov. 2

Kayla Renae Hambleton, of the 1400 block of College Avenue, was booked for domestic battery. Bond was set at \$500.

Germy Terrell Cameron, of the 3000 block of Tuttle Creek Boulevard, was booked for two counts of probation violation. Bond was set

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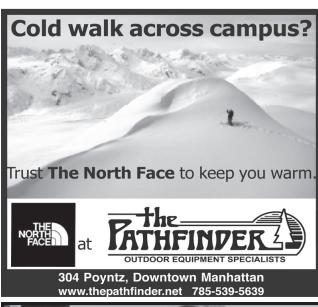
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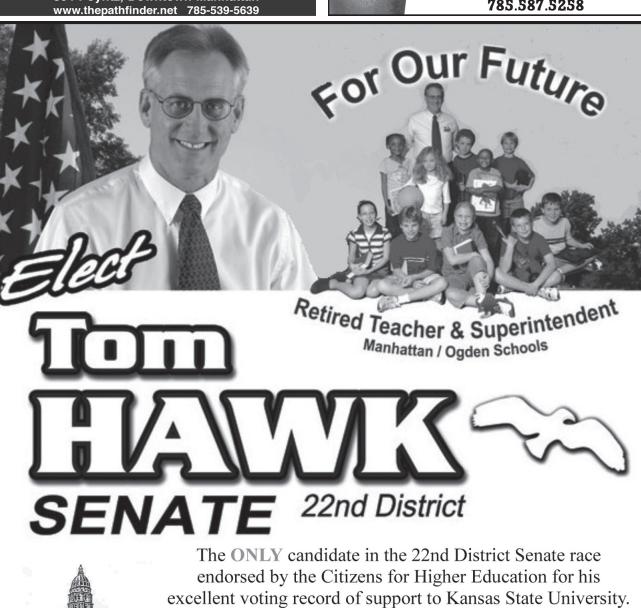
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FOOTBALL

Notable games leading up to BCS Championship

assistant news editor

After holding on to beat Oklahoma State 44-30 Saturday night at Bill Snyder Family Stadium, the K-State Wildcats improved to 9-0 on the season, and further asserted their contention for a national championship.

However, only two teams will get the chance to play for the Coaches' Trophy in Miami on Jan. 7, 2013, and with four undefeated teams atop the BCS standings, other teams' performances could have a lot to do with where K-State ends up in the postseason.

No. 1 Alabama 21, No. 5 LSU 17

In a rematch of last year's national title game, it looked as if the toptheir first loss of the season in Baton Rouge, trailing 17-14 to the Tigers with 1:34 to go in the game.

However, junior quarterback AJ McCarron had other ideas, and marched the Tide down the field quickly before hitting freshman running back T.J. Yeldon on a screen pass that went for a 28-yard, gamewinning score. LSU took the ball over with 51 seconds to go, but Alabama's stifling defense held the Tigers until time expired.

With the win, Alabama improved to 9-0 on the season, and won their 13th straight game. The Tide remain clear favorites to defend their title after surviving their first real challenge of the season, and will play in the BCS National Championship game if they win out. The Tide's only remaining ranked opponent is No.

onship game will likely give them a strong opponent from the SEC East.

No. 3 Notre Dame 29, Pittsburgh 26 (Triple Overtime)

The Pittsburgh Panthers had no shortage of opportunities to end Notre Dame's undefeated bid Saturday in South Bend. The Irish trailed 20-6 at the start of the fourth quarter before evening up the score to force

Pitt's best chance to win came after they recovered a fumble in the end zone during the second overtime, and lined up for a gamewinning field goal attempt. However, the kick sailed wide, and the Irish survived as sophomore quarterback Everett Golson punched in a 1-yard touchdown in the third

Notre Dame escaped with their perfect season intact, but a close game with a 4-5 Pitt team will cost the Irish some BCS votes. Notre Dame is still a title contender, but didn't gain any ground on the teams ahead of them with the win. Notre Dame's toughest remaining test will come in three weeks when they travel to the Coliseum for a showdown with No. 17 USC.

No. 4 Oregon 62, No. 17 USC 51

high-powered Oregon Ducks offense was unstoppable again, blowing USC's defense out of the water on their own turf. Senior running back Kenjon Barner led the way with 321 yards and five touchdowns as the Ducks led the Trojans all game. However, Oregon allowed 51 points, missing an opportunity to prove that they can defend a tough opponent.

Oregon stays in the thick of the title race after coming out victorious in their first real challenge of the year. The Ducks will have their work cut out for them to stay perfect, with games against No. 14 Stanford and No. 11 Oregon State in the weeks ahead, as well as a possible rematch with the Trojans in the Pac-12 Championship Game.

If the season ended today:

National Championship Game, Jan. 7, 2013, Miami, Fla. -No. 1 Alabama vs. No. 2 K-State

Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, Jan. 3, 2013, Glendale, Ariz. — No. 3 Oregon vs. No. 4 Notre Dame

FOOTBALL

Grading the game: K-State Wildcats versus Oklahoma State Cowboys



OFFENSE: A

Coming off two very convincing wins against ranked opponents, whether or not K-State could add a third was one of the biggest, if not the biggest question heading into Saturday night's

The offense answered the challenge in a big way as quarterback Collin Klein continued to display Heisman-caliber abilities. Although he didn't play a full three quarters the senior com-

pleted 16 passes in 22 attempts, throwing for 245 yards. Despite not adding a touchdown through the air, Klein continued to show that he's just as capable through the air as he is on the ground. The senior signal caller also added his 50th career rushing touchdown. It pushes Klein's school record even higher and moves him into a tie for fourth place in Big 12 history.

The receiving duo of senior Chris Harper and sophomore Tyler Lockett continue to perform on a weekly basis as the two combined for 164 yards of

receiving.
"They fit the mold of getting a little bit better collectively," said head coach Bill Snyder. "I think they both, and all of them have been good, quality receivers throughout the course of this

season."

DEFENSE: B

The Wildcats faced yet another tough test on Saturday against the nation's No. 1 ranked team offense. The Cowboys had been averaging 586 yards per contest heading into the game and were held under that number, gaining 504 yards against the Wildcats. The Wildcats kept starting

quarterback Wes Lunt uncomfortable, and forced the freshman to throw three interceptions in under three full quarters of play. After Lunt left the game with an injury, junior backup Clint Chelf entered the game and had great success against the Wildcat defense. Chelf threw for 233 yards and a touchdown on 16 completions out of 27 attempts.

Oklahoma State head coach

Mike Gundy was happy with how his backup contributed

"It seemed like he did really well," Gundy said. "For the first time he had been in a game where it really mattered. It looked like he was very effective. He seemed poised, calm and threw the ball really well. He made a mistake there in the end, but I was proud of what he was able to accomplish on such short notice."

The Wildcats will need to strengthen its secondary before heading into their final three conference games. K-State is fortunate to have great experience in this unit, and it will likely be a big contributor in their remaining games.

SPECIAL TEAMS: B

As good as the return team was on Saturday night against the Cowboys, the kickoff coverage was equally as troubling. Lockett added another kickoff return for a touchdown, giving the specialist the fourth of his career. Along with junior Tramaine Thompson, the two have formed one of the better return units in the country.

Attempting to avoid Oklahoma State junior return man Justin Gilbert, the Wildcats kicked it to Desmond Roland and the sophomore took it 80 yards for the score.

"That falls a little bit on me," said senior kicker Anthony Cantele. "That ball wasn't placed exactly where it should have been. We just got to do a little bit better job covering those."

The Wildcats have been strong for most of the season in kickoff and punt coverage, and avoiding the big play in special teams has

been crucial. Maintaining those performances will be important as the season progresses and concludes in four weeks.

Quote of the night:

They are a great team. They deserve everything they got, but you cannot turn the ball over five times and expect to beat the No. 2 ranked team in the country. We thought coming in here we definitely had a shot to knock these guys off. We just had to do things such as not give the ball back to them, give them free points, and we just made more mistakes. They did not make mistakes, and that is why they are No. 2."

– Oklahoma State kicker Quinn Sharp on playing K-State.

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BASKETBALL

Wildcats win final exhibition game against Emporia State despite slow start

A big reason for the Wildcat turn-

around late in the first half was the

play of freshman forward D.J. Johnson. Leading the Wildcats with both 14

points and six rebounds in the first half,

Johnson's play down low was a major

contribution for the Wildcats. Johnson

finished with 17 points and nine re-

"I'm a little surprised, but just going

against the guys everyday in practice,

I think that helps a lot," said Johnson



John Zetmeir

It went back and forth in the first half of K-State's final exhibition game of the preseason, but the Wildcats were able to take control against Emporia State University in a 81-51 win on Sunday.

"I think it was your typical second khibition game," said head coach Bruce Weber. "We didn't make shots early, we kind of got our heads down. We played good solid defense but we just didn't make plays."

With 4:46 left in the first half, Weber called a timeout which seemed to turn around the momentum of the game. Emporia State held a 19-18 lead, but the Wildcats went on a 9-0 run after the timeout and seized control of the game.

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about his per-

Sophomore guard Angel Rodriguez celebrates with sophomore forward Thomas Gipson (42) after scoring a basket while being fouled during the Wildcats' 85-51 exhibition win against Emporia State on Sunday in Bramlage Colliseum. Rodriguez ended the game with 10 points and three assists. K-State's next opponent is North Dakota.

formance. "Practice definitely helps a lot, just playing at it pretty hard

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in practice."

Alongside Johnson was sophomore forward Thomas Gipson who, like Johnson, brought a lot of energy to the team. Gipson added 12 points and five rebounds for K-State.

"He just got the opportunity to play more so he got something done," Weber said on Gipson's efforts. "Value your minutes, value your time and you earn time by what you do everyday but also you can solidify it by doing it in front of the public."

In their season opener K-State will take on North Dakota this Friday in Bramlage Coliseum. The Wildcats have now had two exhibition games on top of a summer trip to Brazil to get their squad ready for the season.

"We'll see Friday night," Weber said about whether or not his team is ready. "We've made some progress. I wish we would have had a little bit better energy. We won by 30 but it's how you play."



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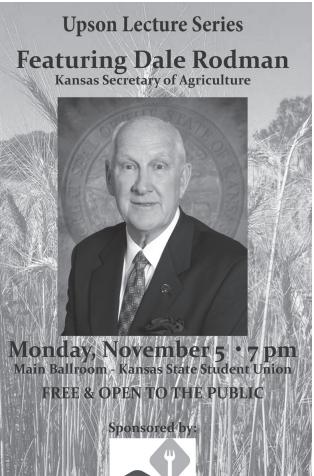


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Journalists need to cover real issues in election



With the presidential elections tomorrow, it is more important than ever to understand the major issues at hand and where each candidate stands. Media outlets are usually pretty good at covering the debates and speeches that the candidates make, but they don't really focus on the main issues.

For example, instead of talking about the points made in the first presidential election, many news outlets focus on Romney's quote that he was going to get rid of Big Bird. Is Big Bird really a major point in this election? No. So why focus on it? The media tends to trivialize elections rather than focus on the main issues.

So, why does the media run fluff stories on the candidates' families instead of focusing on the actual issues? First of all, media outlets run like a business. In order to make money they have to get your attention or you won't tune in. So they run fluff pieces or blow things out of proportion to grab your

Running soft stories isn't a bad thing. These kinds of stories can show you what kind of person the candidate can be. Is he a nice person who cares? Is he someone who can take charge in the face of a disaster? However, blowing up odd phrases, like firing Big Bird or having "binders full of women," really doesn't help the election. It just creates unnecessary hype.

At the least, they are creating interest in the election. If the media ran nothing but statistics and numbers concerning the economy, how much would the average Joe pay attention? Technically, you should be paying attention to this stuff. It's going to affect your life for the next four years, if not the rest of your life. Whoever you vote for is leading an entire nation and is the face of America to the rest of the world.

On the other hand, it is so boring. I'm not one for numbers so I usually tune it out even though I should listen. Stories criticizing a candidate for a stupid mistake are at least interesting and entertaining when a candidate really messes up.

While it's funny and more entertaining, these stories aren't the most important aspects of an election. However, people take these useless points into account when entering the voting booth. This year, people will probably remember that "Sesame Street" was their favorite childhood TV show

and base their choices on that. While part of the fault for taking interest in insignificant stories lies with the general public, the rest of the blame rests with the media. Yes, the media can focus on those inconsequential things but they also need to focus on the bigger topics and informing the general public. After all, journalism is supposed to be the watchdog of the

government and power.

Think back to the early 1900s, when "muckraking" journalism was popular. This was the period of investigative journalism that showed the people real issues hiding underneath the surface. Journalists went undercover and exposed big business deals and politicians had a reason to fear journalists. They brought issues to national attention that were affecting local people and taught the public how legislation and deals within the government affected the common man. During this time, there were a

lot of outlandish accusations too.

Sometimes journalists would publish fake material in order to sell

papers. Of course, journalism is held to a higher standard today. I'm not saying journalists should make up stuff about candidates or dig deep enough in the past to find a juicy secret. Why not try to make the news relatable to readers and listeners? Why not make the numbers make sense? The media should be more like the muckrakers, getting to the heart of issues, while at the same time

presenting it so it makes sense

to the modern audience.

For example, when talking about the economy, talk about the different plans and how they could affect different individuals. How will increasing interest rates on government loans affect students? What about in the future when

all this revenue is raised? Where will it go?

These are important questions ation when voting. However, the average person can't really find these answers for themselves, either due

that need to be taken into considerto lack of time or lack of knowing

someone who can explain it. This is why we have journalists;

informed about the major issues

the election. they are supposed to find these answers for us. When they do find the answers, people will be more interested in elections and be more

instead of the hype surrounding

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Energy drinks potential health hazards, people should choose natural alternatives



Five individuals have died in recent years, and the culprit is thought to be Monster Energy Drinks.

A 24-ounce can of Monster contains 240 milligrams of caffeine, three times the amount found in an 8-ounce can of Red Bull and about 50 milligrams more than a 20-ounce can of Red Bull, according to a Oct. 22 Yahoo Finance article titled "F.D.A. Receives Death Reports Citing Popular Energy Drink" by Barry Meier.

More restrictions should be placed on these high-caffeine drinks if people don't realize that the drinks are unnecessary and that there are

plenty of other alternatives. There are a wide variety of healthy, energy drinks.

Fruits are made up of natural sugars that give you energy, but some fruits are higher in sugar and will provide the energy boost you need to get through that study session in the middle of the night.

Grapes, bananas, cherries and pineapples are just some of the fruits that have the largest amount of sugar, but are still healthy for you and just as effective as energy drinks.

Dried fruits such as raisins, prunes or figs contain double the amount of

sugars as fresh fruits. Other foods that are a great source of energy are nuts — mainly almonds, macadamia nuts, pistachios, peanuts and walnuts.

According to an April 20, 2009, article on *mensjournal.com* by Jamie Beckman, all you need is a handful of any of these nuts to get the energy-boosting benefits you need, as well as the nutritional benefits.

Fruit juices or smoothies can also be a great replacement for caffeine-

filled energy drinks. Smoothies in particular normally

fruit. Why not pick the healthier choice rather than purchasing one of these energy drinks?

According to the Yahoo Finance article, "Monster Beverage makes a variety of energy drinks with names like Monster Rehab, Monster Assault and Monster Heavy Metal. Labels on the containers state that they are 'not recommended' for some consumers, including children — a group that beverage producers define as those under 12 years — and people 'sensitive' to caffeine."

You know something is risky to your health when it has a warning label and consumption limitations. It should be obvious to people that this cannot be a safe energy-boosting option if the company is making limitations clear.

However, energy drinks may appeal to people more than these healthy foods because of advertise-

ment and availability. Items like fresh fruits and nuts aren't advertised in the way that energy drinks are, and I don't think people are aware of what all-natural

foods can do for them. Energy drink advertising representatives do a great job at making it sound like just one dose of a 5-hour Energy shot or a can of Monster is the best choice to give you the energy boost for anything you need.

Take the Monster commercial featuring Diecast for example. As soon as the band drinks their Monster energy drinks backstage they are beyond pumped, ready to go storm onto the stage and put on a killer performance.

As I was studying in Hale Library's 24-hour study area last week I could not help but notice that the vending machines provided not only Monster drinks, but 5-hour energy shots as

It is not even the fact that people are uninformed of the dangers, but more about how they are unaware of the alternatives.

Instead of having drinks that are potential health risks, maybe schools should make an effort to provide more options and alternatives to energy drinks. After all, students are the ones who find themselves consuming energy drinks or at least the ones tempted to because of those late night study sessions that just have to

Energy drink companies can also make their drinks without such an overwhelming amount of caffeine. Just a little more caffeine than pop, in moderation, shouldn't be too health or life-threatening.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

K-State community taking strides toward acceptance

illustration by Yosuke Michishita

Dear K-State community,

In reference to the November 1st, 2012 article on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (lgbt) issues on our campus ("LGBT community members have differing views of acceptance level in Manhattan, on campus") I would like to provide some clarification of perceived opinions and com-

First, I feel that it is necessary to bring to attention the inclusive efforts of the departments and colleges portrayed as not being accepting of LGBT issues on our campus.

I believe that these colleges and departments have made giant strides to being open and affirming to all students on campus regardless of their race, ethnicity, religion, sexuality, gender identity, etc. We must also always keep in mind that discriminatory and homophobic incidents, comments and atmospheres can be present within any department, college or program on campus if it is present and allowed to persist.

The Vet Med program at K-State just started their own nationally affiliated LGBT Vet Med organization; the Student Chapter of the Lesbian and Gay Veterinary Medical Association. At their initial meeting/social I was overwhelmed by the number of LGBT students, faculty, staff and their straight allies who were there for support. Through the leadership of faculty and staff at Vet Med these students were encouraged and supported to establish this organization.

In our College of Engineering there have been open conversations between SafeZone, the LGBT Resource Center and the deans of engineering as to what we can do to ensure that all students feel welcome.

In the agriculture programs there have been student panels, open discussions and more movement to making the atmosphere better for all students, faculty and staff.

Now, arguably there are still incidents that warrant discussion as to how "safe" or accepting a program, college, etc. is. However, the Office of Student Life, Women's Center, Counseling Services, SafeZone and the LGBT Resource Center devote themselves to making our campus a safe and welcoming environment for all students. When an incident is reported or brought to the attention of these offices, there are always inquiries as to how to best address any kind of discrimination on campus and we have all brought this campus and community forward in our efforts.

Secondly, what about Manhattan and surrounding communities? What has been said about the ordinance is mostly true. Can you be fired from

a job for being gay? Yes. Can you be denied housing? Yes. And this is because there are not regulations that ensure that LGBT individuals will not

be discriminated against. However, what it takes to rectify this is for LGBT individuals who have been discriminated against to speak up. There are procedures in place with the city of Manhattan where individuals can file the appropriate reports to the appropriate officials when they feel that they have been discriminated against. Just because there are no regulations or ordinances does not mean that discrimination can not be documented. Documentation is key.

And lastly, discrimination of all types based on sexuality and gender identity occurs on a daily basis in our community. Whether it is on campus or in Manhattan or the surrounding area, it is important to not forget that there are still individuals who are afraid to be who they are and allowed to live their lives in peace. A student who has not come out of the closet to their family will continue to live in fear of them finding out about their sexuality. Transgender students continue to fear being stopped from using or harassed for using a restroom designated as appropriate to the gender that they

We have students, faculty, and staff who hear the words "fag," "dyke," "tranny," or a multitude of other slurs in the classroom, hallways and sidewalks. We have children and adults that contemplate, attempt or commit suicide because of the fear and lack of acceptance in their lives. And let us not kid ourselves, our LGBT community members live in fear of and do experience physical violence because of their perceived or acknowledged sexuality or gender identity. Those of us that can live our lives openly are privileged and are thankful that we can stand up for ourselves and for those that can not.

Perhaps the author of this article should have done more fact-checking; perhaps the author should have talked to individuals who were more closeted about their sexuality or gender identity. Regardless of the what-ifs, I applaud the courage and leadership of the author and those interviewed for this article. However, we should also continue to keep in mind that each individual's experience is different and all voices are important to be encouraged to speak and to be heard.

Thank you to all and it is my hope that we can continue a productive dialogue about acceptance and equality for all on our K-State campus and in our Manhattan community.

Brandon H. Haddock

Coordinator **LGBT Resource Center**



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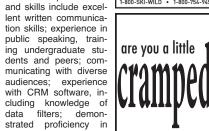
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International Games Day highlights education through video games

Cara Hillstock staff writer

Video game consoles lined the walls of the Hemisphere Room at Hale Library on Saturday for International Games Day. Students, children and parents played together and browsed through board games and books on video game theory.

Jacob Martin, junior in computer science, decided to go when he came across the flyer a week before the event. He was delighted when he saw an old school Atari console upon first

"It really brought me back," Martin said. "Back to when I was three years old and was playing some kind of tank game.

This was the second year for International Games Day at K-State, an event that has been held by the American Library Association for the past five years. Just this year, the event went international. The goal of the event is to get more people into the library and to make them feel like the library was a place for them.

"We really wanted people to think that the library is a place to meet people, enjoy yourself, and to stay, as a community center," said Joe Sutliff Sanders, host of the event and assistant professor of English. "Everyone else is thinking about other things, like football, and we're getting people to come to the library."

The event ended up being very successful, according to Sanders.

The event started at 2, and by 2:10 we already had more people than last year," Sanders said.

A feature at the event was a game based on interactive fiction, an extrapolation of a computer game called "Zork" from 1980. People gathered around the host of the game, and they each took turns verbally controlling a single, shared character. The goal was to solve a murder mystery by working together, while the host of the game imitated the old computer software.

Daniel Ireton, undergraduate and community services librarian at Hale Library, also hosted the event. He hoped the event would show some of the educational potential in video games.

"Games can be beaten, you know it's possible from the get go. If you fail, you select retry and try again," Ireton said. "If you take that model and apply it to the real world, everything is achiev-

However, he said there is a fine line between educational games that are too educational and those that are not educational enough.

"If they're not successful as games, they won't be good to teach," Ireton said.

Video games are extremely useful for promoting critical thinking, visual literacy and active, engaged learning, he said. "You can advance at the exact

pace you're able to," Ireton said. Greg Buchanan, a resident of Manhattan, brought his son to

"It's just wonderful," Buchanan said.

He had seen the library from the outside and thought it was beautiful, but had never been inside. He thought the best part

was the variety.

"Kids can see all types of games here," Buchanan said.

Games that were available to be played included "Fable 3," "Shadow of the Colossus," "Wii Sports," "Mario Kart Wii," "Lego Indiana Jones," "Star Wars: The Clone Wars," "Super Mario Galaxy," "Tekken Tag Tourna-ment 2," "Mad World," "Kirby's Dream Land," and board games such as "Battleship," "Yahtzee," "Munchkin," and "Killer Bun-nies and the Quest for the Magic

Sitting at a table with many others playing on a Nintendo 3DS, Scott Drake, graduate student in business administration, won a Pokémon battle. His opponent said it was a very short battle, but was satisfied because they had traded Pokémon with each other earlier, helping to complete his Pokédex.

Drake said the best part of the event was meeting new people. "I had a great time," Drake said. "I hope they do it again."

Growing international population leads to increased cultural exchange

Som Kandlur staff writer

K-State currently has a large and growing popula-tion of international students, which has been strongly contributing to cultural diversity, promoting international awareness and providing positive exposure for the university on a global scale.

Last year, 1,856 students from 107 countries enrolled from outside the U.S. This rate marks a steady increase in the number of students from the previous year, and makes up for nearly 8 percent of the entire student population at

"Before I came here, I knew nothing about Kansas or the university. Kansas for me was just farms, cows and 'Smallville," said Ramon Doria, freshman in management from Paraguay. "But I like it here now. It is quiet but you don't have to walk far to find something exciting to do."

Christine Leung, freshman in tourism and hospitality management from Hong Kong, was hesitant to go to K-State at first, but now feels

"When you think of going to the United States you usually want to go to the popular states like New York or California, so naturally I was a little disappointed when I was told I was going to Kansas," Leung said. "But my experience here has been great and I would recommend people to come to K-State."

An integral part of these changing impressions about K-State, according to most international students, are the people on campus who are not only accepting of the international students but are also eager and curious to learn more about the culture that they come from.

"Of course, sometimes there are language barriers but [the students] are understanding and always open to talk and hang out," Leung said. "They want to help you which is always good."

The university has regularly exceeded expectations held by many international students with respect to the size, amenities, infrastructure and the general level of education. Farzand Ali, a non-degree student in animal science from Pakistan, is here on a

cultural exchange program.
"The education system here is better, but you need to be disciplined to keep up with everything," Ali said. "Also, there are many things here that you would never find at a university back home, such as an Apple store inside the Union."

The cultural acclimation programs offered by the International Student and Scholar Services provide resources to try and help international students get settled into American culture, but have also given them an opportunity to share their culture and language through programs such as the International Buddy System which pairs local K-State students with international students.

Basic Language Training, a non-credit language course taught by an international native speaker, also helps international students become more accustomed to the K-State culture.

FBALL | Cats look ahead to TCU

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not make any major mistakes, he ran out of bounds one time when we were trying to run the clock out. He does not have that figured out yet. Aside from that, he managed the game OK."

The Wildcats were able to rattle Oklahoma State starting quarterback Wes Lunt for much of his performance, forcing the freshman to throw three interceptions in a little over two quarters of action.

With the Wildcats holding a slim 24-17 margin with under three minutes left in the first half, cornerback Allen Chapman picked off Lunt for his first of three interceptions, returning it for 29 yards and a score.

The defensive touchdown provided K-State with muchneeded cushion and gave the Wildcats the start of an easily decided turnover margin. Chapman's play has faced as

in a big way. "He's a great player," senior linebacker Jarell Childs said of his teammate. "We all know that he's a great player and for

much scrutiny as anyone's this

season and the senior delivered

him to come out and have a great game like that, I'm proud of him. I knew that he could do it. I'm sure he would, I want to give thanks to our D-line for getting pressure which made

him able to get those picks." The Wildcats have won the turnover battle in every game so far this season and stretched its season turnover margin to

plus 20 after Saturday's contest. Oklahoma State head coach Mike Gundy said his team's mistakes obviously were crucial and it was disappointing to

see his team's display. "That is as poorly as we have played on special teams and obviously turned the ball over in a long time," Gundy said. "I'm not saying they do not do a good job but a lot of them are self-inflicted."

The Wildcats were able to continue its special teams dominance against the Cowboys, tallying 199 yards on four

Wide receiver and return man Tyler Lockett added his second kickoff return for a touchdown this season after taking a second quarter kick 100 yards with 7:35 left in the

second quarter. The return gives the sophomore his fourth kickoff return for a touchdown in his career. The specialist is now tied for

fourth in Big 12 history.

"It was pretty great," Lockett said. "It was a big play in this game that got us going. Unfortunately, they answered back with one of their own, but we responded to adversity. Our kickoff returns were able to get us into good field position to-

The Wildcats hit the road next week to take on TCU for the first time as a Big 12 Conference member. The Horned Frogs are coming off a double overtime win in Morgantown, W.Va,. against the Mountaineers, giving the team a strong, season-defining win.

"TCU is a very good football team," said sophomore center BJ Finney. "They are a very tough defense. They have a young quarterback and he's figuring things out: he's doing things well. They are a great football team and it's going to

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Faculty and graduate student library day

Hale Library will be holding an all-day event to help K-State faculty and graduate students learn more about the library services and programs available for them, with emphasis on research needs. All K-State faculty and graduate students are welcome and encouraged to attend as many workshops as they desire. The Faculty and Graduate

Student Library Day will take place on Wednesday from 1:30-5:30 p.m. A full list of times and locations for all sessions provided is available at lib.kstate.edu/library-day.

K-State alumni to perform at Auntie Mae's Parlor

Shawn Bruce and the

Horsebite Tears will be performing at Auntie Mae's Parlor on Friday at 9 p.m.

The six-person band includes five K-State alumni and one graduate of KU, and will be performing songs in an alt-country style they call 'Twango." There will be a \$3 cover for the show. For more information, search for Shawn Bruce and the Horsebite Tears on Facebook.

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important qualities for workers to have.

Hall explained that Cargill chose to partner with K-State because the university is a leader in education and diversity, one of the first universities to accept men and women equally and was the first university to allow African Americans into their vet-

erinary medicine program. Rick Calhoun, a Cargill employee and 1976 K-State graduate, presided over the panel discussion. The panel talked about qualities that are looked

for when hiring, such as communication skills, innovation and conviction.

Cargill announced the newest donation in support of Project Impact, explaining that the program's results have been impressive and expectations had been exceeded. The check for the donation was then presented and Myra Gordon, associate provost for the office of diversity, gave a speech on behalf of Project

Impact. ^t[This is a] gargantuan act of support," Gordon said. "[Cargill are in front of the ball, not on the ball. They understand future workforce needs, and diversity is the flavor of the future. They are creating inclusive excellence."

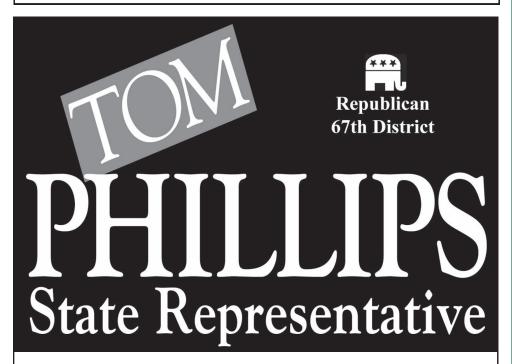
One way Cargill's partnership helps students at K-State is through providing job op-portunities. Olivia Moore, senior in animal science and member of Project Impact, did an internship with Cargill in Milwaukee over the summer.

Cargill hires between 700 and 800 students each year in the fields of engineering, finance, marketing, IT and more. These positions range from internships and co-ops to full time jobs.

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